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**From:** Goforth, Kathleen  
**Sent:** Thur 9/4/2014 5:00:29 PM  
**Subject:** RE: BDCP Meeting Agenda and Participants

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Well said. I agree 100%.

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**From:** Hagler, Tom  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 04, 2014 9:06 AM  
**To:** Vendlinski, Tim; Foresman, Erin; Goforth, Kathleen; Skophammer, Stephanie; Johnson, Kathleen; Diamond, Jane  
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**From:** Vendlinski, Tim  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 04, 2014 8:30 AM  
**To:** Hagler, Tom; Foresman, Erin; Goforth, Kathleen; Skophammer, Stephanie  
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Erin's suggestion has merit as it helps us get past the arm waving and into the technical details and some constructive discussions as suggested by Kathy.

Also, Tom is right that the next federal coordination call is 9/11, and the timing will be good as we can discuss what went well (and not so well) the previous Tuesday.

I do think we are overlooking some process points at our own peril, e.g., who will facilitate this meeting, referee the discussion, and bring us toward some type of endpoint(s).

Jane agreed with me that we should attempt to demarcate areas of agreement and disagreement, the latter of which would be framed for the "Principals" to discuss separately.

What can we communicate to Maria and Ryan to help them with the successful staging of this meeting, and with the framing of additional, technical "problem solving" meetings in the weeks hence?

Re: staffing, I suggested that the "technical team" for meetings such as next Tuesday should be composed of you four and me, while Jane (John K. back-up) and Kathleen (Lisa H. back-up) should reserve their energy and leverage for Principals meetings and coordination with other senior leaders. This said, I totally support Kathleen and Lisa going on Tuesday to meet all the players.

Jane agreed to pursue this staffing idea even if EPA has been historically excluded from meetings of the Principals.

The other point I stressed to Jane is that we in the R9 Water Program (and ORA) need to do more outreach and coordination with Ken K. to make sure what is decided at the D.C. Principals level reinforces what we decide in the Region.

Jane appreciated this point, and is willing to do all she can, but expressed some concern that the ranks are relatively thin at the upper tiers with the departures of Bob K. and Nancy S.

Tom might be right, once we distill the areas of disagreement, the impasse(s) with DWR will be obvious as will their unwillingness to compromise, and we can pull back our investments in "problem solving" and reinvest in the Bay Delta WQCP process with SWRCB.

**From:** Hagler, Tom  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 04, 2014 7:51 AM  
**To:** Foresman, Erin; Goforth, Kathleen; Skophammer, Stephanie; Vendlinski, Tim  
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Actually, I think there is NOT a federal call today. They cancelled last week's call and said to tune in at the next regularly scheduled call, which would be next Thursday.

**From:** Foresman, Erin  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 04, 2014 7:48 AM  
**To:** Goforth, Kathleen; Skophammer, Stephanie; Vendlinski, Tim; Hagler, Tom  
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Hi Kathy,

Maybe one thing we can do is walk through the Emmaton EC example for them. We can do this with Tables provided in the DEIS appendix. That way we can show one in detail w/o derailing the whole meeting with an EPA presentation.

I briefly spoke with one of NMFS new water quality scientists (Melanie Okoro) yesterday and she will be coming to the meeting. She is v. new to BDCP and walking through that example would be good for her.

I am at a 3-hr meeting in W. Sac this morning so I won't be in the NMFS office today. I think we have a bi-weekly BDCP meeting this morning with NMFS and the other fed agencies. Tom, Stephanie, and/or Tim could ask Ryan Wulff for more direction this morning as well.

It is hard to prepare for a meeting that has many different perceived purposes. I worry that the groups attending have different expectations.

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*Schedule: M 7:30a - 4:00p; T - F 7:30a - 2:00p*

**From:** Goforth, Kathleen  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 03, 2014 6:41 PM  
**To:** Skophammer, Stephanie; Vendlinski, Tim; Hagler, Tom; Foresman, Erin  
**Subject:** Fwd: BDCP Meeting Agenda and Participants

Thoughts on how best to respond to this? What would we "present" beyond what we are already presenting? I want to make sure that we get into some constructive discussions in this meeting and don't spend the entire time on presentations by EPA.

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** Maria Rea - NOAA Federal <[maria.rea@noaa.gov](mailto:maria.rea@noaa.gov)>  
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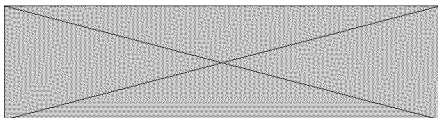
Hi Kathleen -

Sounds good. I think we will want to get into some detail on the water quality standard exceedences - which constituents, where, by how much, what are the effects, etc. It would be good if your folks can be prepared to present some of this. I am looping in Ryan to help finalize logistics and agenda, and share with other agencies.

- Maria

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On Wed, Sep 3, 2014 at 2:06 PM, Goforth, Kathleen <[Goforth.Kathleen@epa.gov](mailto:Goforth.Kathleen@epa.gov)> wrote:

Hi, Maria –

We're looking forward to meeting with you and the other fed and state agency folks involved in the BDCP next Tuesday afternoon. We propose the following agenda:

O Brief summary presentation of EPA's comments (focusing on the major environmental issues)

O Q&A regarding EPA's comments

O Supplemental Draft EIS and its interface with other regulatory processes.

How does this look to you?

In addition to the folks you have already invited, we recommend inviting the following

individuals:

Lori Rinek (FWS)

Luana Kiger (USDA-NRCS)

Cassandra Enos (DWR)

Lisa Hanf (EPA)

Kaylee Allen (DOI)

Thanks for hosting the meeting. Feel free to call me if you want to discuss anything in advance.

-Kathy

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